



Stanchester

Academy

24 July 2023

Headteacher's Message

As the academic year comes to an end, I believe it is important to reflect on the past 12 months and celebrate the outstanding achievements and accomplishments that we have made at Stanchester Academy. I hope you agree that the school has made huge progress over the last year, and this has been because of your commitment to working with us to achieve this aim.

The school has offered an extensive range of extra-curricular trips and visits and will finish term with the curriculum enrichment week.

There are so many activities across the year, but some of my personal highlights have been; The Shrek performances at Christmas 2022, The Wells Cathedral choir, the Remembrance Day activities to name just a few.

Alongside our improved offer in 2022/23 we are offering a range of overseas visits next year; Iceland, New York, Ski trip and World Challenge to Morocco.

Below are the colleagues leaving and joining us for the end of the year and start of the new academic year. I would like to offer my thanks to all of those colleagues who have worked at Stanchester and contributed so much.

Leaving	Joining
Mrs Shaw – Maths	Mrs Beer – Maths
Mr Dabinett – PE	Mr Thompson – PE
Mrs Barton – Head of DT	Mrs Elson – Head of DT
Sammi Hoyle-Linham – DT technician	Lupe Velasquez – DT technician
Kirstie Kernutt - PFSA	Mrs Hooper – Assistant Headteacher
Mr Moore – English	
Mr Cooley - English	

Many of the teachers will be in school to support Y11 students as they collect their GCSE results on the 24th August. We very much hope they will be celebrating the success they deserve.

All the staff at Stanchester will be back at work, training and planning, on Friday 1st September and students will have a staggered start to the year as normal; **Y7&Y11 will start on Tuesday 5th September with all year groups in on Wednesday 6th September.**

Thank you for all of your support this year, I hope you all have a good break and look forward to seeing the students and staff ready for the new academic year in September.

Senior Students - "Blue Ties"



We were overwhelmed with the number and quality of the students who wanted to take on leadership roles at school next year.

Congratulations to everyone who was appointed and particularly our new Head Boy, Joel Foy, and new Head Girl, Amara Mae Clarke .

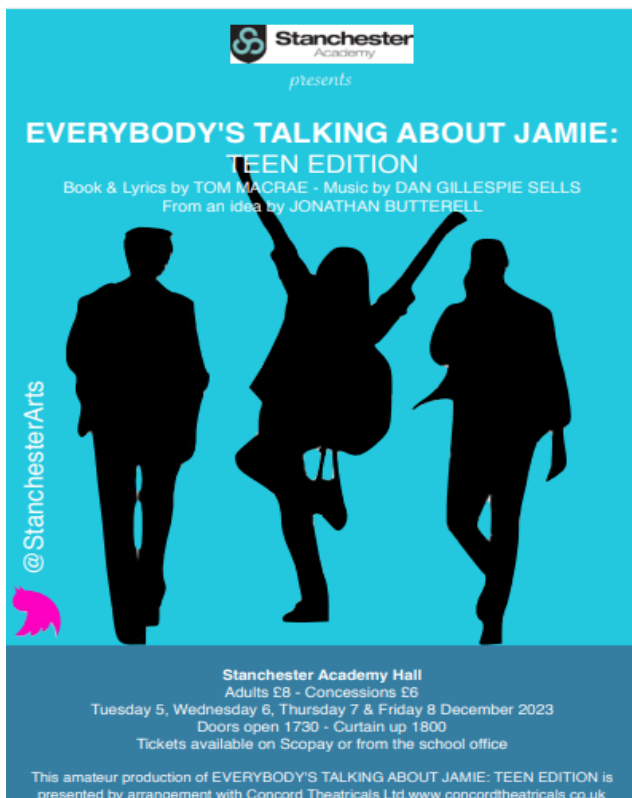
Dates

5th Sept - School starts for years 7&11

6th Sept - All years return to school

12th Sept - School Photographs

13th Sept - Revision Information Evening



Singing Their Praises

The Stanchester choir sang at a Choir Festival on Monday 17th July. They were the only secondary school choir participating alongside six other schools.

They sang two songs on their own, Rhythm of Life and We Won't Stop Dreaming, and two joint songs with the other schools.

The girls have worked extremely hard in the last few days as they also sang at the Rewards Ceremony last Thursday.

We look forward to seeing what next year brings for the choir and look forward to a new intake of Year 7's adding to our current fabulous singers.



Celebration Evening

The hall was packed last week as we celebrated the achievements of students in every year.

Students were nominated in each subject and 5 special students were nominated for the Headteacher's Awards by their Head of Year. A big thank you to all the parents and teachers who took part and our thanks to our guest speaker, former Stanchester student Thomas Flynn.

Well done to each student who received an award - we're so proud of you!



Treading the Boards

Two Year 9 students recently performed in the Westend!

Eloise Laidler and Ruby Calcutt gave an amazing performance at His Majesty's Theatre in London with their performing arts group, Pauline Quirke Academy.

They all gave a professional and slick performance in the musical called "Trouble's A Brewin'" and it was a great opportunity for both of them.



New additions to the Stanchester Family

Over the last school year we have been delighted to welcome some brand new little faces to our staff family.

Owen Morgan

Jackson Glasset

William Parry

Caelan McLaughlin

Nerida Gillman-Ranger

and baby Sunderland is imminent!

Arabella Gray-West

Arthur Mort

